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## Baynanza - Biscayne Bay Clean-up Day

WHAT: You've seen what ECOMB's volunteers can accomplish in just one morning while cleaning up our beaches,

parks, islands and canals! Now ECOMB's energetic volunteers, in partnership with Miami-Dade County Department of Environmental Resources Management, the City of Miami Beach Neighborhood Services, Parks, Public Works and Environmental Resources departments, will, once again, cleanup the shoreline of Island View Park and Flagler

Monument Island.

**DATE** Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

TIME 9am - 12 noon (Registration begins at 8:30 AM)

**AGE** 

- Volunteers 15 years old or younger must present the Minor Release Form sent with your e-mail signed by a
  parent/guardian and one parent/guardian must be present.
- Volunteers 16 or 17 years old must only present the Minor Release Form sent with your e-mail signed by a parent/guardian.
- Volunteers 18 years old or older, please sign the Adult Release Form sent with your e-mail and bring it along with
- If you did not receive the Release Form, or do not have one, please send an e-mail to ecomb@ecomb.org.

**WHERE** 

Meet us at Island View Park, on Purdy Avenue, just north of the junction of the Venetian Causeway in Miami Beach. There will be two cleanup sites: 1) <u>Island View Park</u> itself, and 2) the <u>Flagler Memorial Island</u> (or Monument Island) where the volunteers will be taken by boat.

REGISTRATION At ECOMB's web site: http://www.ecomb.org/event.htm or at DERM / Baynanza site:

http://www.miamidade.gov/derm/Baynanza/volunteers2.asp and, when selecting your site,

click on Island View Park.

Journalists, please contact us for press interviews and past photos, by calling <u>Luiz Rodrigues</u>, <u>Executive Director ECOMB</u>, Inc. at 305.534.3825, or <u>Lynn Bernstein</u>, at the City of Miami Beach Neighborhood Services Department at (305) 790-0090, or Ivy Brown, from <u>DERM</u>, at 305-372-6628. Press and <u>TV coverage are welcome</u>. To learn more about ECOMB and <u>to see photos from recent Beach</u> Cleanup projects, go to our web site at <u>www.ecomb.org</u>.

Join volunteers from high schools, local associations, churches, synagogues, and businesses, as they MAKE A DIFFERENCE. Snacks will be served and students may use these cleanup events towards <u>Community Service Hours</u>.

**ECOMB** is a not-for-profit 501c(3) Florida corporation founded in 1994 to promote clean beaches, waterways and wetlands. Each year ECOMB coordinates events and programs that encourage responsible behavior and awareness in the Miami Beach vicinity.

More info and registration at: http://www.ecomb.org